



Illinois Commerce Commission

111(d) Policy Session 1

August 18th, 2014

11:00 a.m.

11:00am – 12:15pm: Overview of the Rule

Jim Ross, Manager, Air Pollution Control Division, IL EPA; Franz Litz, Great Plains Institute

Speakers from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Great Plains Institute will provide an overview of the draft Clean Power Plan, beginning with an explanation of the four building blocks which comprise the foundation of EPA's Plan. They will address key aspects of the regulations and what those mean for Illinois specifically, as well as a few of the favored options that have emerged for a multi-state compliance approach.

12:15pm – 1:15pm: Break for Lunch

1:15pm – 2:15pm: Overview of the Rule (cont.)

Joe Goffman, Associate Assistant Administrator & Senior Counsel, US EPA

Mr. Goffman will guide us through a more detailed look at EPA's Plan and answer some of the most frequently asked questions, including:

- What do the numbers really mean?
- How did EPA arrive at the numbers?
- Why do states have different targets?
- What is the timeline?
- What will the stakeholder process look like?

2:15pm – 3:00pm: Building Block #1: Coal Plant Heat Rate Improvement

Jim Ross, Manager, Air Pollution Control Division IL EPA; Dean Ellis, Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs, Dynegy; Barry Matchett, Director of External Affairs, NRG

Mr. Ross will set the stage by explaining how the heat rate improvement numbers were derived in EPA's plan. Mr. Ellis and Mr. Matchett, representatives from two of Illinois' largest coal plant operators, will then discuss the current status of the state's coal fleet and identify efficiencies that may be available to the operators of their individual plants in order to comply with the regulations.

3:00pm – 4:00pm: Building Block #2: Increased Use of Existing Natural Gas

Lynn Cannon, Business Development Manager, TransCanada Pipeline; Michelle Bloodworth, Senior Director, Power Generation, America's Natural Gas Association; Dean Ellis, Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs, Dynegy; Barry Matchett, Director of External Affairs, NRG

Panelists will engage in a dialogue on the feasibility of a gas ramp up, whether they believe Illinois' current gas generation and infrastructure can support the 70% capacity factor established in EPA's second building block, and what Illinois may still need to do to reach that goal. Topics of discussion will include:

- Current and forecasted pipeline capacity
- Availability of peaker plants to reach the 70% capacity level
- Illinois' idle gas capacity and the role technology could play
- Whether the current structure of the natural gas market is sufficient to support a significant increase in demand

4:00 pm: Adjourn